

645—362.2 (154E,272C) Continuing education requirements.

362.2(1) The biennial continuing education compliance period shall extend for a two-year period beginning on July 1 of each odd-numbered year and ending on June 30 of the next odd-numbered year. Each biennium, each person who is licensed to practice as a sign language interpreter or transliterator in this state shall be required to complete a minimum of 40 hours of continuing education. A licensee who provides proof of a current National Interpreter Certification or current Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Certification meets continuing education requirements for that biennium renewal cycle.

362.2(2) Requirements for new licensees. A person licensed for the first time shall not be required to complete continuing education as a prerequisite for the first renewal of the license unless the licensee holds a temporary license and has chosen to meet the requirements for temporary licensure specified in 645—subparagraph 361.2(6) “b”(2). The new licensee shall complete a minimum of 40 hours of continuing education during the biennial license period for each subsequent license renewal and may use continuing education hours acquired anytime from the initial licensing until the second license renewal to meet the requirements for the second license renewal period. A licensee who provides proof of a current national interpreter certification issued by an organization recognized by the board (e.g., Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID); National Association of the Deaf (NAD); NAD-RID National Interpreter Certification (NIC)) meets continuing education requirements.

362.2(3) Requirements for temporary license holders. Prior to July 1, 2009, the temporary license holder shall comply with requirements specified in 645—subrule 361.2(6). Beginning July 1, 2009, the temporary license holder shall comply with continuing education requirements at the time of each license renewal including the first renewal of the license. Temporary license holders shall be required to obtain 40 hours as set forth in subparagraph 362.3(2) “a”(2) and paragraph 362.3(2) “b” for each subsequent renewal biennium beginning July 1, 2009. The temporary license holder may use only continuing education hours acquired during the current biennial license period for renewal.

362.2(4) Hours of continuing education credit may be obtained by attending and participating in a continuing education activity. These hours must be in accordance with these rules.

362.2(5) No hours of continuing education shall be carried over into the next biennium.

362.2(6) It is the responsibility of each licensee to finance the cost of continuing education.